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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated March 27, 2008. Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.